



# Press Release

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## **PRESS RELEASE** **July 17, 2013**

This morning, July 17, 2013, at approximately 0848 hrs., Lt. Todd Menmuir and Deputy Robert Izzo responded to an accident on State Route 84 (*South Ridge Road*) in Perry Township. The accident involved a minivan and a bicycle.

The investigation by Sheriff's Deputies indicates that the bicycle, operated by 52 year old Katherine Kerestman, a Perry Township resident, collided with a 2004 Chrysler minivan, driven by 18 year old Rachel Rackovan, also a resident of Perry Township. Ms. Kerestman was injured in the collision and was transported to the Madison Medical Campus by Perry Township fire and rescue. She was then subsequently flown via Life Flight to Metro Health Medical Campus. Although the minivan had six (6) passengers at the time of the accident, none of the passengers required medical transport.

The investigation shows that Ms. Kerestman was driving westbound on SR 84 approaching Milford Dr. As Ms. Rackovan approached the bicycle in the minivan she moved to left to pass the slowing moving bicycle. However, as the minivan was passing Ms. Kerestman moved to the left across the center line and into the path of the minivan. This resulted in the collision about 150 feet from Milford Drive.

No alcohol was involved in the accident. Ms. Kerestman was not wearing a helmet at the time of the collision. The accident is currently under investigation.

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